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Darling Statement on Wisconsin Works for Everyone

Madison - On Monday, the Co-Chair of the budget-writing Joint Committee on Finance, State Senator Alberta Darling (R-River Hills) issued the following statement regarding Wisconsin Works for Everyone:

"I'm thrilled Governor Walker is making Wisconsin a leader in welfare reform again.

I'm especially pleased he is addressing the cliff effect that traps many people in a cycle of government dependency. Recently, my colleagues and I sent a letter to Governor Walker asking him to seek a federal waiver to create a sliding scale to reform the welfare system.

I've talked to many employers across the state who had great employees turn down professional opportunities because the raise won't cover the loss of benefits from public assistance.

The governor is taking a major step to make sure people don't only join the workforce, but succeed in it as well. I look forward to learning more about his proposals when he delivers his budget to the Legislature."

Senator Darling represents portions of Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington and Waukesha Counties.